



PATENT

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In RE application of T. HIROSE

Serial No.: 09/774,723

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Examiner: V. BALI

For: POLISHING PAD SURFACE CONDITION EVALUATION METHOD AND AN APPARATUS THEREOF AND A METHOD OF PRODUCING A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

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A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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**SUPPLEMENTAL REPLY**

Commissioner for Patents  
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August 23, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed August 17,  
2005, please amend the above-identified application as  
follows.